

REMARKS

In the Office Action, dated March 23, 2004, the Examiner states that Claims 1-20 are pending, Claims 1-20 are rejected and Claims 21-39 are withdrawn. By the present Amendment, Applicant amends the claims.

In the Office Action, restriction is indicated between Group I, Claims 1-20 and Group II, Claims 21-39. The Applicant affirms the election of Claims 1-20, and the withdrawal of Claims 21-39.

In the Office Action, Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Applicant has amended Claims 1-3 to be directed to a method for manufacturing a plurality of kinds of lens sheets for a transmission type screen. The Applicant considers that this amendment overcomes the indefiniteness rejection.

In the Office Action, Claims 1, 5, 9 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) or alternatively under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as anticipated by or obvious over Schubert et al. (DE 19842510). Claims 2, 3, 5, 9 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schubert et al. in view of Ballestrazzi et al. (US 5,238,120). The Applicant respectfully disagrees with these rejections.

As mentioned above, the independent claims recite a method for manufacturing a plurality of kinds of lens sheets for a transmission type screen. Schubert et al. relates to the production of decorative functional surface coatings. Ballestrazzi relates to a machine for sorting graphic and/or printing products. Neither of these references provide any teaching of lens sheets for a transmission type screen. Therefore, the Applicant considers the rejections overcome since the references fail to teach this claimed limitation.

In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in better condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

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Respectfully submitted,



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